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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: BOARD OF DENTISTRY & DENTAL HYGIENE

DATE AND TIME: Thursday, January 15 2015 at 3:30 p.m.

PLACE: Cannon Building, Second-Floor Conference Room A

861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, DE 19904

APPROVED: March 19, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas A. Mercer, DDS, Professional Member, Secretary Lucinda Bunting, DMD, Professional Member Sharon Welsh, DDS, Professional Member Carol Argo, RDH, Professional Hygiene Member June Ewing, Public Member Nathaniel Gibbs, Public Member Debra Bruhl, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member Mary Trinkle, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member Buffy Parker, RDH, Hygiene Advisory Member Rozi Berberian, Public Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Brian McAllister, DMD, Professional Member, President John Lenz, DDS, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Flora Peer, Administrative Specialist II Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General David Mangler, Director

PUBLIC PRESENT

Candace Gaull Lisa Uberti

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Mercer called the meeting to order at 3:30p.m.

EXAM SCORE REPORTING

The examiners calculated their scores for the dental and dental hygiene examinations. Ms. Peer calculated an average score for each candidate. Dr. Mercer read the final score aloud. The final dental exam results were as follows: 10 passed and 2 failed. One dental candidate who was registered for the exam was not present for the DOR exam and therefore failed the exam. The final dental hygiene exam results were as follows: 1 passed and 0 failed.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes of the December 18, 2014 Board meeting. Mr. Gibbs made a motion, seconded by Ms. Argo, to approve the minutes as presented. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

<u>UNFINFISHED BUSINESS</u>

Feedback Communication on Proposed Legislation – Director's Office

Mr. Mangler stated that the Division had no objections to the changes proposed for § 1122(5) and the addition to § 1126. Mr. Mangler questioned the Boards changes to § 1124(3) of the statute which would require dental hygienists seeking licensure by reciprocity to hold a degree from a CODA approved school. Mr. Mangler stated that the new requirement may disqualify applicants that would otherwise be qualified to practice. Dr. Welsh stated that the change would meet the same standards set for Dental applicants. Mr. Mangler questioned how the Board handles foreign graduates. Dr. Mercer stated that the Board accepts education from CODA approved schools. Mr. Mangler stated that there are a variety of organizations that translate and evaluate transcripts from foreign schools which could assist the Board in the process of licensing foreign graduates.

NEW BUSINESS

RATIFICATION OF LICENSES/PERMITS ISSUED BY DPR SINCE LAST BOARD MEETING

Dentists – None

<u>Dental Hygienists – None</u>

Restricted Permit I – None

Restricted Permit II – None

Unrestricted Permit – None

Dentist - Limited Resident - None

Academic License – None

REVIEW OF HEARING OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

CONTINUING EDUCATION APPROVAL

COMPLAINT UPDATES

New Complaints – None
Dismissed by the Division of Professional Regulation
09-33-13
09-16-14

Forwarded to the Office of the Attorney General – None

DISCIPLINE AND COMPLIANCE

Marieve O. Rodriguez D.M.D - Compliance Update

Dr. Mercer reviewed the documents submitted by Dr. Rodriguez. Dr. Mercer stated that Dr. Rodriguez was compliant.

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CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Dr. Hammond Knox

Dr. Mercer reviewed the documents Dr. Knox sent to the Board. Dr. Mercer stated that Dr. Knox should be contacted for copies of certificates for Board review.

REVIEW OF AUDITS

Forwarded to the Hearing Officer for Non-Compliance

Myrna Arryo

Terry Bryan

Debra Carri

Bruce Fisher

Dann Gladnick

Baongan Huynh

Carol Jackson

Vicki Korr-Pringle

Antoinette Latch

Tammy Nere

Tracy Osoinach

James Pillsbury

Stacy Ross

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Inquiry from an Orthodontic Resident about Qualification of Applicants

The matter was tabled until the March 19, 2015 meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be March 19, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room A located on the second floor of the Cannon building at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, DE.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, Ms. Parker made a motion, seconded by Dr. Welsh, to adjourn the meeting at 4:45 p.m. By unanimous vote, the motion to adjourn carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Flora Peer

Administrative Assistant II

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.